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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD OF SENSING TEMPERATURE OF A DIGITAL X-RAY IMAGING SYSTEM

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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